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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Emergency Management, General Government, and Veterans

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB3062

Dear Legislators,

As a member of Oregon's nonprofit community, as a Eugene city resident, single mother, UO graduate, and active member of our shared community, I am writing to share my strong support of HB 3062 and the positive impact it would have on local job creation, economic development, and the long-term vitality of our communities.

The Eugene Chamber of Commerce is working hard to activate their members to take action and speak out in opposition of this bill. Regrettably, I have found it reliable to take the opposite position of the Chamber on most matters. When I dig deeper into the bills they oppose, I find myself in support of the measures, without fail. The Eugene Chamber of Commerce is effective at protecting corporate interests and profit above all else.

While I can appreciate that a strong economy is good for our community, it is not a panacea. We need to consider environmental protections, which corporations reliably detest. Corporations do not care about people, not even their employees; they care about the bottom line. We need to protect people, not just profits.

The Eugene Chamber of Commerce has many resources at their disposal, and I fear that my voice may not be enough to counter all the noise you are hearing from them. I hope that you will consider this as you respond to public comment on this bill.

Please vote YES on HB 3062 and stand with the PEOPLE you are elected to serve.

Sincerely,
Chelsea Ingram